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A BASTARDLY DEED.

English Anderson Stabs George Alexander to Death and Wounds David Conley.

Anderson Arrested and His Examining Trial Set for Tuesday.—Evidence Before the Coroner's Jury in Full.

Again it is our painful duty to record one of the most reckless and seemingly uncalled for killings that has ever disgraced this county.

George Alexander, a quiet, peaceable, honest, hard-working citizen, was stabbed to death by English Anderson, one of the most prominent and progressive young farmers of the county, and a son of Corwin Anderson, deceased, so well known in shorthorn circles. The sickening details are about as follows:

On Saturday evening George Alexander, his son Willie, John McDonald and David Conley, all of whom live in Mt. Sterling, were coming in to town on their way home from the residence of the late Harvey Hurt, where they had been at work painting, and had reached the Maysville pike only a short distance this side of the junction with the Paris pike. There they met two wagons loaded with lumber. A negro was driving the one in front and English Anderson driving the wagon in the rear. Alexander and party were in a spring wagon, heavily loaded with painting materials and, though they pulled off the pike till their vehicle was against a hedge at the side of the road and called to the driver to keep to his side of the road, either by accident or design the negro driver seemed bent on running into them. In answer to their warning, English Anderson, who was on the rear wagon, called to the negro, "Don't give a d—d inch." At this Alexander jumped off his wagon and ran to the head of the negro's team. Simultaneously with Alexander's spring from the wagon Anderson jumped to the ground and ran around the wagon, the two men meeting in front of the teams. As Anderson came toward Alexander he ran his hand inside the bosom of his shirt; he had on no coat or vest. Alexander called out, "don't draw a pistol on me;" at this the men came together and Alexander made a grab at Anderson's arm as if to catch it. In a flash it was seen that Anderson was using a large knife on Alexander. Conley jumped down and grabbed Anderson, who gave him a vicious cut some seven inches long across the back. The result of Anderson's fearful work was one man dead and another badly wounded. Alexander was stabbed four times, twice in

or near the heart, and twice in the abdomen, any one of which would have been fatal, and was cut three times in the arm.

George Alexander was a good citizen and a constant christian, and his death was a severe shock to the community. The horror at his sad end was scarcely more than that the deed should have been done by the young man at whose hands he met his death.

The burial of the murdered man took place yesterday morning. Elders Clarke and Trimble officiated at the funeral, after which he was buried by Watson Lodge No. 32, I. O. O. F., of which he was an active member. A vast concourse of citizens turned out to show their respect to a man who had lived among us so upright a life, and yet who met his death in so tragic a manner. George Alexander leaves a widow and five children, several of them quite small.

Esquire Henry Jones empaneled a jury and held an inquest on the body of Alexander. We give this report as lodged for record.

Mt. Sterling, Ky., June 23, 1894

I, Henry Jones, J. P. M. C., held an inquest on the body of George Alexander I empaneled the jury. Hearing the sworn testimony of the witnesses, rendered the following verdict:

HENRY JONES, J. P. M. C.

We, the jury, find that the deceased, George Alexander, came to his death at the hands of English Anderson, by cuts, thrusts and stabs, inflicted on the deceased Alexander by said Anderson, with a knife, in Montgomery county, Kentucky.

Witness our hands this, June 23, 1894:

R. M. SMITH.
S. W. GAITSKILL.
PRICE CALK.
JOHN CORBETT
JOHN W. WHITE.
JNO. W. WILLIAM.

EVIDENCE OF THE CORONER'S JURY.

John McDonald: I was on the wagon with George Alexander. When we met the lumber wagon we pulled off to the right of the pike. Alexander halloed to the negro to give him part of the road. The white man on the hind wagon told the negro not to give one d—d inch. Alexander jumped off his wagon and the white man ran around from his wagon. As he came around he ran his hand into his shirt; he had on no coat. Alexander told him not to pull a pistol; they clinched and the white man was stabbing Alexander. I told Conley, who was on the back part of our wagon, to catch the man that was cutting George. Conley grabbed him and the white man told the negro to knock Conley in the head. The negro got a rock, Alexander fell, and some ladies passing by in a buggy said he was dead. The white man cut Conley, too. I do not know English Anderson.

William Alexander: We had met these wagons hauling lumber two or three times. They had always run us off the road. We met them this evening, and papa halloed at the negro to give us part of the road; he would not do it. Papa jumped off the wagon to make him give us part of the road, and the white man ran around and killed him. I do not know the white man's name, but would know him if I should ever see him. I am the son of George Alexander.

Drs. C. B. Duerson, W. R. Thompson and J. B. Taubee examined the body of George Alexander. There were four stabs in his body that entered the cavity. His death was caused from these stabs.

James H. Freeman: I met a negro and English Anderson on the side of the road about where Peed lives. They were unhitching their team from the wagon. I asked English if they had broken down, and he said yes. Mr. Peed lives about one hundred yards from the Maysville pike on the Paris pike.

Minnie Freeman: Mr. Alexander was going towards town and the lumber wagons were coming from town. I thought the front wagon was going to run into Mr. Alexander's wagon. Mr. Alexander's horse ran into the hedge fence. Mr. Alexander jumped off his wagon to keep the other wagon from running into him. English Anderson ran around the wagon and stabbed him. I know English Anderson; he is the man that did the killing.

Mrs. James H. Freeman: Mr. Alexander passed by in his wagon two or three

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men with him in his wagon. Just beyond the house they met two wagons loaded with lumber. Mr. Alexander pulled off the road nearly to the hedge fence. The front lumber wagon looked like it would run into him. Alexander then jumped off his wagon; the white man ran up to him (Alexander) and cut him; Alexander fell over in the road; did not know the man who did the cutting.

L. C. Peed: I met two wagons loaded with lumber a few yards beyond where the killing took place. A negro was driving the front wagon and English Anderson was driving the other one. I was coming towards town.

ANDERSON'S STATEMENT.

Mr. Anderson was seen at the jail and said: "No man regrets this unfortunate affair more than I do. I have tried to live an honorable life, and can not believe that those who know me can be made to believe that I would have committed such an act unless I had been forced to do it. I do not think it wise to enter into details. The trial is set for today, when all the facts will be brought out. I was compelled to resort to this extreme measure in order to protect myself."

English Anderson and the negro driver are both in jail, and their examining trial is set for this morning at 10 o'clock. —Mt. Sterling Advocate, June 26.

Campton Convention Vote.

Breathitt.....	5
Clark.....	10
Elliott.....	5
Estill.....	3
Floyd.....	6
Johnson.....	4
Knott.....	3
Lee.....	3
Magoffin.....	3
Martin.....	1
Menefee.....	2
Montgomery.....	8
Morgan.....	6
Pike.....	8
Powell.....	3
Wolfe.....	3
Total.....	73

Why Is This Thus?

A writer in the Maysville Public Ledger is puzzled to understand the times. These times continue hard, but he says, "One day this week 40,000 persons witnessed a horse race and hundreds of thousands of dollars were staked on the result. The attendance on base ball games was never so large as it is this season. All popular amusements are being enjoyed regardless of expense. The exodus to Europe this spring has been larger than ever."

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